

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-07

INFO OCT-01 AF-05 ISO-00 /013 W  
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R 161530Z AUG 74  
FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3953  
INFO ADDIS ABABA 229  
AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: RSO ASSIGNMENT, PRETORIA

REF: STATE 178640 (NOTAL)

1. RSO SHOCKED AT NEWS OF TRAGIC DEATH OF RSO JOHN R. HERSE.  
RSO WILL EXTEND ASSIGNMENT IN PRETORIA UNTIL ARRIVAL OF  
PERMANENT RSO.

2. REQUEST THAT RSO SPALDING'S DEPARTMENT TRAVEL ORDERS BE  
AMENDED TO COVER ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF EXTENDED TDY.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INDICATIONS OF ELA OF PERMANENT  
RSO.

4. ASSISTANT RSO DAVID BRUCE ARRIVED 14 AUGUST.

5. FOR RSS: REFTTEL RELATED THAT JOHN R. HERSE ASSAULTED  
AND KILLED IN ARLINGTON, VA. ON AUG 14 BY 3  
UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS.  
HURD

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## Message Attributes

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